

## IS DISSOLUTION HIGH?

Rumors in London of an Impending Political Crisis.

Meeting of the Cabinet Hastily Called This Morning.

Roseberry Sends Messengers in Cabs to Houses of Ministers.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—There is much gossip in political circles to-day owing to the fact that Lord Roseberry, the Prime Minister, upon his arrival at the official residence in Downing street this forenoon, hastily summoned a meeting of the Cabinet.

The meeting taken to summon the Ministers were rather extraordinary. Messengers were despatched in cabs to the offices or residences of the different Ministers, and all came to the meeting, which lasted fully an hour.

The precarious condition of the party, as shown by the recent narrow majority in the House of Commons, and the fact that Lord Roseberry had a long conference at Buckingham Palace, yesterday afternoon with the Queen, soon after her arrival from the Isle of Wight, and held a long conference with the members of the Liberal cabinet to-day, all served to increase rumors that a dissolution of Parliament is imminent.

For several minutes last evening when the vote was being taken in the House of Commons, on Sir William Harcourt's motion, to close the debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech opening the session of Parliament, it was confidently believed by the members of the opposition that it would be found that the Government was defeated when the vote was announced.

In the crowded lobby of the House it was impossible to ascertain how the voting was going, but when the division was nearly over a whisper was circulated that the Government was defeated. The loudness of the cheers with which the Liberals greeted the announcement of the figures showed the extent of their anxiety, which was apparently well justified, as the vote was 278 to 271, giving them but eight majority.

## VICTIMS OF CHINESE CODE.

Bodies of Officers Who Committed Suicide Taken to Chefoo.

CHEFOO, China, Feb. 19.—The steamer Kangchi, loaned by the Japanese for the purpose, arrived here yesterday with the remains of Admiral Ting, the Chinese naval commander who committed suicide after the surrender of his fleet to the Japanese at Wei-Hai-Wei. The steamer also brought the bodies of Commander Liu, and Capt. Yang, of the Chinese flagship Chen Yuen, and Gen. Chang, commander of the military forces at Wei-Hai-Wei, all of whom killed themselves rather than suffer the punishment that would have been meted out to them by the Emperor for the failure of his forces to repel the Japanese.

The Japanese paid the greatest re-

spect to Admiral Ting's remains. Capt. Yang shot himself as the Japanese went over the side of the flagship.

Mikado Wants \$50,000,000 for War Expenses.

TOKIO, Japan, Feb. 19.—A bill will be submitted to the Japanese Parliament to-morrow by the Government asking for the appropriation of \$50,000,000 for the expenses of carrying on the war against China.

## THE QUEEN "AT HOME."

First Drawing-Room of the Season Held To-Day.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The Queen held the first drawing-room of the season to-day in Buckingham Palace. There was a large number of debutantes present and a full attendance of all officials and diplomats. For several years the Queen has been unable to walk unaided, and therefore at to-day's drawing-room Her Majesty remained seated. She was wheeled in a chair from her apartments to the Sovereign's closet, where the Royal family had assembled, and was wheeled from there to the Throne Room. She remained there but a short time, retiring soon after the beginning of the function, leaving the Princess of Wales to take the general presentations on her behalf.

The Prince of Wales was not able to be present at the drawing-room owing to a severe cold.

## POWERS AFTER THE PORTE.

Said to Have Demanded a New Governor for Kurdistan.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—A despatch to the Daily News from Marcellus says that advances have reached there from Constantinople to the effect that Great Britain, France and Russia have instructed their Ministers to demand that the Porte, without delay, appoint a new Governor-General for Kurdistan. It is added that Sir Philip Currie, the British Minister, has demanded the recall of Ismail Pasha, Governor of Van, against whom grave charges have been preferred.

## HENRY IRVING IS ILL.

The Great English Actor Suffering from Influenza.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Henry Irving, the actor, is severely indisposed. Influenza is the malady from which he is suffering.

## MEXICANS KILL AMERICAN.

G. R. Morrison, of Detroit, Robbed of a Large Sum.

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 19.—G. R. Morrison, an American, residing in Detroit, Mich., was killed by Mexican bandits about sixty miles south of Cordoba, two days ago. He was on his way to inspect coffee lands when attacked. He was robbed of a large sum of money.

Four of the bandits have been captured and will be shot.

## ONLY THOUGHT SWEAR WORDS

Under Sheriff Sherman Says He Never Shocked Miss Driscoll.

Tamsen Says the Stenographer Resigned to Avoid Dismissal.

Something of a sensation has been caused in the Sheriff's office by the resignation of pretty Miss Fidele A. Driscoll, the stenographer, who stated in a note to Sheriff Tamsen that she could not tolerate the profane language and brutal treatment of Under Sheriff Henry H. Sherman.

She was reappointed by Sheriff Tamsen at a salary of \$70 a year, and continued in the position until last Saturday, when she sent the following note to the Sheriff:

"I find it impossible to longer tolerate the profane language and brutal treatment of your Under Sheriff, Henry H. Sherman. I hereby tender my resignation as stenographer in your office."

Sheriff Tamsen this morning was of the opinion that Miss Driscoll was dissatisfied because of being obliged to do more work than formerly, and wrote the letter to get her revenge.

"Miss Driscoll's work was unsatisfactory, because she didn't like to do anything after 4 o'clock and made it evident that she wanted to do as she pleased. I think she resigned because she thought she would lose her place."

Under Sheriff Sherman, who is a very mild appearing man with Chesterfieldian ideas of gallantry, was horrified by Miss Driscoll's letter, he says, and claims it was entirely malicious.

If she was shocked by profanity he thinks she must have been a mind reader, for he admits having thought some forcible exclamations, but says he never uttered a word of profanity.

In Miss Driscoll's place this morning was a young man named Timothy E. Barry, who told an "Evening World" reporter that he could stand anything in the way of profanity. He added, however, that so far he hadn't heard even the slightest exclamation.

Miss Driscoll has already secured another position, and to-day entered into the service of the law firm of Isaac Fromme.

Miss Driscoll, when seen in Lawyer Fromme's office today, and told that Under Sheriff Sherman denied that he swore in her presence or otherwise mistreated her, smiled pleasantly, and said: "Oh, he does? Well, I can prove that he did. I have been in offices where there are men so long that I have become accustomed to hear an occasional oath, but I never heard anything by Under Sheriff Sherman."

A week ago I sat Saturday something had gone wrong in the office, and he tore

around and shouted at the messengers and clerks, and swore at the top of his voice oaths, I say, as I never heard before."

His clerk, Kullman, and Messenger Richard both heard him, and if they tell the truth will bear me out in what I say.

Besides his swearing, Mr. Sherman has been in the habit for several weeks past of keeping me in the office long after office hours, when all the other clerks had gone and when there was no work to do that made it necessary for me to stay. Last Saturday, although the office closed at 12 o'clock, he kept me in the office until 3 o'clock, and that too, without even allowing me to go out for a few moments for lunch.

When Mr. Sherman's treatment became unbearable I went to Sheriff Tamsen. When I entered his office and asked for a five minutes' talk he said: "Is your business in the nature of a complaint?" I replied that it was and he said in not very courteous tones: "Yes, I told him how I had been treated and he said, 'I suppose you think there is something personal in this matter.' I said it looked so to me, and he said, 'I thought so. That is always true of women. I have had hundreds of women in my employ and they always think there is a personal reason for any complaint.'"

"The Sheriff then told me how offices were conducted in Germany. He said over there clerks were glad to go out to lunch at 3 o'clock and come back and work until 7 or 8 o'clock. I decided it was time for me to resign and I did so."

## HARRIGAN'S SON BURIED.

Many Friends Attended the Funeral Services at the Church.

Funeral services over the body of Edward D. Harrigan, eldest son of John Edward Harrigan, were held at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Seventh-first street and Boulevard, this morning.

The body was viewed by hundreds of friends at the house 46 West Sixty-eighth street, where it lay in state.

The church was filled with friends. The Rev. Father Taylor, pastor of the church, was celebrant, and was assisted by the Rev. Fathers C. P. Murphy and D. H. O'Dwyer. The casket was literally buried in flowers.

Schmidt's requiem was sung by a professional quartet. During the services Miss Alicia T. Austin, organist, rendered the popular ballad, "Kitty Wells," which had been the favorite song of young Edward Harrigan.

The procession started from the church about noon. Interment will be made in Calvary cemetery.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pastor, A. M. Palmer, Associate Manager of the Garden Theatre; Manager McCormick, of the Broadway Theatre; Mart Hanley, of Harrigan's Theatre; Mrs. Annie Yeaman, Dave Abraham, Miss Hattie, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sparks; Miss George Merritt, Miss Jessie Wyatt, Harry Fisher, Harry Wright, John Wild and Frank Dodge, of Harrigan's Theatre; Harry Brubaker, of the Star Theatre.

Michael T. Daly, ex-Commissioner of Public Works; Justice Hogan, Justice McMahon, Aldermen Farley and Alderman Burke were also present.

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